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FLORIDA
Employment Trends

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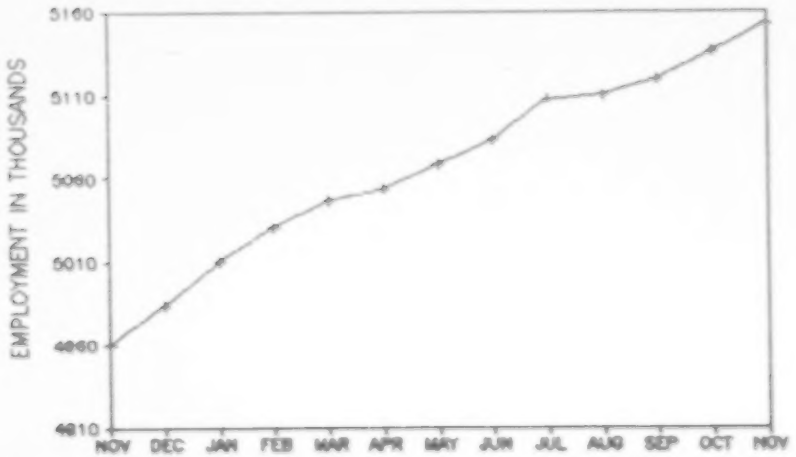
Highlights:

- Nonagricultural employment increased by 3.9 percent or 192,500 new jobs over the year to reach 5,152,700 in November. Despite the fact that Florida's job growth rate has slowed during 1988, Florida remained as the fastest growing of the populous states in terms of new jobs.
- Services was Florida's largest and fastest growing industrial sector (up by 5.8 percent to 1,423,700 in November). Most of the new jobs were in the subsectors of health and business services.
- Manufacturing job growth has leveled off since August 1988, responding to foreign competition. It increased by 0.8 percent or 4,100 new jobs over the year.
- Construction employment continued to recover from previous job losses. It has been gaining employment since September 1988 and was up by 2.8 percent or 9,000 new jobs over the year.
- Florida's unemployment rate in November rose to 5.3 percent. The number of unemployed stood at 323,000 out of a labor force of 6,125,000. The national unemployment rate in November (5.4 percent) was only 0.1 percentage point higher than Florida's rate.

FLORIDA'S NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, NOVEMBER 1987–NOVEMBER 1988



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STATEWIDE
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (IN THOUSANDS)
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
FLORIDA

Published Industry Title	November Preliminary 1988	October Revised 1988	November Revised 1987	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Net	Percent	Net	Percent
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	5152.7	5135.8	4960.2	16.9	0.3	192.5	3.9
MINING (1)	9.0	9.0	8.7	0.0	0.0	0.3	3.4
CONSTRUCTION	354.7	354.0	345.7	0.7	0.2	9.0	2.6
MANUFACTURING	540.5	540.7	536.4	-0.2	*	4.1	0.8
DURABLE GOODS (1)	325.7	325.7	323.9	0.0	0.0	1.8	0.6
NONDURABLE GOODS	215.8	215.3	213.4	0.5	0.2	2.4	1.1
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES (1)	264.6	262.8	260.9	1.8	0.7	3.7	1.4
TRADE	1416.2	1407.8	1347.0	8.4	0.6	69.2	5.1
WHOLESALE (1)	281.6	279.3	271.0	2.3	0.8	10.6	3.9
RETAIL	1134.2	1127.1	1075.8	7.1	0.6	58.4	5.4
EATING AND DRINKING PLACES	381.8	380.5	363.0	1.3	0.3	18.8	5.2
FINANCE, INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE (1)	371.5	370.9	366.2	0.6	0.2	5.3	1.4
SERVICES	1423.7	1418.4	1345.4	5.3	0.4	78.3	5.8
HOTELS AND OTHER LODGING PLACES	143.3	142.1	133.0	1.2	0.8	10.3	7.7
HEALTH SERVICES (1)	363.0	361.5	340.7	1.5	0.4	22.3	6.5
TOTAL PRIVATE	4380.2	4363.6	4210.3	16.6	0.4	169.9	4.0
GOVERNMENT	772.5	772.2	749.9	0.3	*	22.6	3.0

* = Less than one-tenth of one percent.

(1) - These series do not have a consistent seasonal pattern and consequently do not pass criteria for seasonal adjustment. Total nonagricultural employment is the sum of all major industries and is not adjusted. Durables and nondurables in manufacturing and wholesale and retail in trade may not add to total due to lack of adjustment to durables and wholesale.

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STATEWIDE
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (IN THOUSANDS)
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FLORIDA

PUBLISHED INDUSTRY TITLE	1987	1988												Over-the-Year Change	
	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV(P)	%	NUMBER
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	4960.2	4983.8	5010.3	5030.5	5046.8	5054.1	5068.5	5083.2	5107.8	5110.3	5119.4	5135.8	5152.7	3.9	192.5
MINING (1)	8.7	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.7	8.8	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.9	9.0	9.0	3.4	0.3
CONSTRUCTION	345.7	348.2	353.0	351.4	350.7	350.0	349.8	347.8	350.4	349.0	352.7	354.0	354.7	2.6	9.0
MANUFACTURING	536.4	537.0	541.3	539.8	538.6	540.8	539.4	538.6	542.7	541.6	540.5	540.7	540.5	0.8	4.1
DURABLE GOODS (1)	323.9	325.3	326.2	325.2	325.4	326.2	326.1	326.6	325.2	325.4	325.4	325.7	325.7	0.6	1.8
NONDURABLE GOODS	213.4	213.6	214.3	214.6	213.6	214.5	214.0	213.2	215.0	214.8	214.4	215.3	215.8	1.1	2.4
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES (1)	260.9	263.4	258.8	259.1	259.9	261.9	262.1	262.2	260.7	260.8	260.5	262.8	264.6	1.4	3.7
TRADE	1347.0	1352.4	1367.4	1374.5	1376.5	1380.3	1385.3	1389.6	1399.2	1401.8	1404.7	1407.8	1416.2	5.1	69.2
WHOLESALE (1)	271.0	273.0	274.6	275.2	275.3	275.5	276.3	276.7	275.9	276.6	277.6	279.3	281.6	3.9	10.6
RETAIL	1075.8	1080.1	1094.0	1100.1	1102.7	1105.9	1110.3	1113.8	1121.7	1123.4	1125.0	1127.1	1134.2	5.4	58.4
EATING AND DRINKING PLACES	363.0	364.6	367.5	369.0	371.1	373.0	374.6	375.0	375.9	377.9	379.2	380.5	381.8	5.2	18.8
FINANCE, INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE (1)	366.2	367.1	366.4	368.4	369.8	370.1	369.2	370.8	371.7	371.3	370.8	370.9	371.5	1.4	5.3
SERVICES	1345.4	1353.6	1361.9	1369.0	1373.3	1377.7	1382.7	1389.3	1401.8	1407.6	1411.9	1418.4	1423.7	5.8	78.3
HOTELS AND OTHER LODGING PLACES	133.0	133.2	133.7	135.0	135.1	136.4	137.6	138.9	139.7	141.0	141.4	142.1	143.3	7.7	10.3
HEALTH SERVICES (1)	340.7	342.2	344.6	346.6	349.5	350.3	352.1	354.2	356.7	357.9	360.4	361.5	363.0	6.5	22.3
TOTAL PRIVATE	4210.3	4230.3	4257.5	4270.9	4277.6	4289.5	4297.3	4307.2	4335.4	4340.9	4350.0	4363.6	4380.2	4.0	169.9
GOVERNMENT	749.9	753.5	752.8	759.6	769.2	764.6	771.2	776.0	772.4	769.4	769.4	772.2	772.5	3.0	22.6

(P) - Preliminary Estimate

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		NOVEMBER 1988	OCTOBER 1988	NOVEMBER 1987	CHANGE FROM OCT. 1988 TO NOV. 1988		CHANGE FROM NOV. 1987 TO NOV. 1988	
TOTAL NONAG EMPLOYMENT	000000	5,174,400	5,113,800	4,980,700	+60,600	1.2%	+193,700	3.9%
MINING	100005	9,000	9,000	8,700	+0	0.0%	+300	3.4%
NONMET-MINE EX FUEL	114005	7,900	7,800	7,600	+100	1.3%	+300	3.9%
PHOSPHATE ROCK	114755	3,900	3,800	3,600	+100	2.6%	+300	8.3%
CONSTRUCTION	200005	357,000	357,500	348,000	-500	0.1%	+9,000	2.6%
GNRL BLDG CONTRACT	215005	94,300	93,800	92,900	+500	0.5%	+1,400	1.5%
HEAVY CONST CONTRAC	216005	51,700	51,600	51,100	+100	0.2%	+600	1.2%
SPCL TRADE CONTRACT	217005	211,000	212,100	204,000	-1,100	0.5%	+7,000	3.4%
MANUFACTURING	300005	542,600	538,800	538,400	+3,800	0.7%	+4,200	0.8%
DURABLE GOODS	300025	325,700	325,700	323,900	+0	0.0%	+1,800	0.6%
LUMBER/WOOD PROD	324005	26,600	26,500	27,400	+100	0.4%	-800	2.9%
FURNITURE/FIXTURES	325005	15,000	14,900	14,800	+100	0.7%	+200	1.4%
STONE/CLAY/GLASS	332005	27,100	27,300	26,900	-200	0.7%	+200	0.7%
PRIMARY METAL IND	333005	5,600	5,600	5,400	+0	0.0%	+200	3.7%
FABRICATED METALS	334005	38,300	38,100	38,000	+200	0.5%	+300	0.8%
MACHINERY EXC ELEC	335005	44,400	44,500	43,500	-100	0.2%	+900	2.1%
ELECTRIC/ELEC EQUIP	336005	77,400	77,500	77,100	-100	0.1%	+300	0.4%
TRANSPORT EQUIP	337005	65,200	65,200	65,500	+0	0.0%	-300	0.5%
INSTRUMENTS/RELATED	338005	16,900	16,800	16,200	+100	0.6%	+700	4.3%
MISC MFG INDUSTRIES	339005	9,200	9,300	9,100	-100	1.1%	+100	1.1%
NONDURABLE GOODS	400015	216,900	213,100	214,500	+3,800	1.8%	+2,400	1.1%
FOOD/KINDRED PROD	420005	49,300	46,200	49,600	+3,100	6.7%	-300	0.6%
PRESERVED FRUITS	420305	12,900	10,800	12,900	+2,100	19.4%	+0	0.0%
TOBACCO MANUFACTURE	421005	1,700	1,600	1,700	+100	6.3%	+0	0.0%
TEXTILE MILL PRODUC	422005	3,100	3,100	3,200	+0	0.0%	-100	3.1%
APPAREL/TEXTILES	423005	33,400	33,400	32,800	+0	0.0%	+600	1.8%
PAPER/ALLIED PROD	426005	15,000	15,000	15,100	+0	0.0%	-100	0.7%
PRINTING/PUBLISHING	427005	67,800	67,400	65,700	+400	0.6%	+2,100	3.2%
CHEMICALS/ALLIED	428005	23,400	23,300	23,600	+100	0.4%	-200	0.8%
PETRO/COAL PRODUCT	429005	1,700	1,700	1,700	+0	0.0%	+0	0.0%
RUBBER/PLASTIC PROD	430005	19,400	19,400	19,100	+0	0.0%	+300	1.6%
LEATHER PRODUCTS	431005	2,100	2,000	2,000	+100	5.0%	+100	5.0%
TRANSP/PUBLIC UTIL	500005	264,600	262,800	260,900	+1,800	0.7%	+3,700	1.4%
TRANSPORTATION	500015	160,100	158,600	156,900	+1,500	0.9%	+3,200	2.0%
RAILROAD TRANSP	540005	7,700	7,700	7,900	+0	0.0%	-200	2.5%
LOCAL PASSNGR TRNS	541005	11,200	11,000	10,100	+200	1.8%	+1,100	10.9%
TRUCKING/WAREHOUSE	542005	57,700	56,700	54,800	+1,000	1.8%	+2,900	5.3%
WATER TRANSPORT	544005	15,500	15,300	15,500	+200	1.3%	+0	0.0%
AIR TRANSPORT	545005	46,600	46,300	48,700	+300	0.6%	-2,100	4.3%
COMMUN EXC US PO	548005	66,900	66,800	67,300	+100	0.1%	-400	0.6%
ELEC/GAS/SANITARY	549005	37,600	37,400	36,700	+200	0.5%	+900	2.5%
WHOLE/RETAIL TRADE	600005	1,425,700	1,391,300	1,355,900	+34,400	2.5%	+69,800	5.1%
WHOLESALE TRADE	650005	281,600	279,300	271,000	+2,300	0.8%	+10,600	3.9%
DURABLE GOODS	650015	161,500	161,300	154,700	+200	0.1%	+6,800	4.4%
NONDURABLE GOODS	651005	120,100	118,000	116,300	+2,100	1.8%	+3,800	3.3%
RETAIL TRADE	652005	1,144,100	1,112,000	1,084,900	+32,100	2.9%	+59,200	5.5%
BUILDING MATERIALS	652025	48,000	47,600	45,700	+400	0.8%	+2,300	5.0%
GEN MERCH STORES	653005	154,400	143,700	141,000	+10,700	7.4%	+13,400	9.5%
FOOD STORES	654005	192,800	189,000	182,900	+3,800	2.0%	+9,900	5.4%

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		NOVEMBER 1988	OCTOBER 1988	NOVEMBER 1987	CHANGE FROM OCT. 1988 TO NOV. 1988		CHANGE FROM NOV. 1987 TO NOV. 1988	
AUTO DEALER/STATNS	655005	118,300	118,500	114,500	-200	0.2%	+3,800	3.3%
APPAREL STORES	656005	65,200	62,100	61,300	+3,100	5.0%	+3,900	6.4%
FURNITURE STORES	657005	55,900	54,800	53,100	+1,100	2.0%	+2,800	5.3%
EATING & DRINKING	658005	376,200	368,400	357,700	+7,800	2.1%	+18,500	5.2%
MISC. RETAIL	659005	133,300	127,900	128,700	+5,400	4.2%	+4,600	3.6%
FIN/INS/REAL ESTATE	700005	371,500	370,900	366,200	+600	0.2%	+5,300	1.4%
BANKING	760005	76,400	76,200	76,800	+200	0.3%	-400	0.5%
CREDIT AGEN EXC BNK	761005	67,500	67,400	68,000	+100	0.1%	-500	0.7%
INSURANCE CARRIERS	763005	58,900	58,700	57,200	+200	0.3%	+1,700	3.0%
INSURANCE AGENCIES	764005	35,900	35,900	35,100	+0	0.0%	+800	2.3%
REAL ESTATE AGENTS	765005	102,400	102,200	99,600	+200	0.2%	+2,800	2.8%
SERVICES	800005	1,414,200	1,400,800	1,336,100	+13,400	1.0%	+78,100	5.8%
HOTELS & LODGING	870005	137,500	133,400	127,600	+4,100	3.1%	+9,900	7.8%
PERSONAL SERVICES	872005	67,800	66,800	64,800	+1,000	1.5%	+3,000	4.6%
BUSINESS SERVICES	873005	303,900	301,900	281,600	+2,000	0.7%	+22,300	7.9%
AUTO REPAIR	875005	49,500	49,100	48,200	+400	0.8%	+1,300	2.7%
MISC. REPAIR	876005	22,700	22,600	22,300	+100	0.4%	+400	1.8%
MOTION PICTURES	878005	8,700	8,600	7,900	+100	1.2%	+800	10.1%
AMUSEMENT SRVCS	879005	83,600	80,600	81,600	+3,000	3.7%	+2,000	2.5%
HEALTH SERVICES	880005	363,000	361,500	340,700	+1,500	0.4%	+22,300	6.5%
LEGAL SERVICES	881005	51,300	51,400	49,800	-100	0.2%	+1,500	3.0%
PRIV EDUCATION SERV	882005	54,800	54,700	52,200	+100	0.2%	+2,600	5.0%
MISC SERVICES	889005	72,300	72,100	68,100	+200	0.3%	+4,200	6.2%
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	998008	789,800	782,700	766,500	+7,100	0.9%	+23,300	3.0%
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT	998011	115,600	114,500	114,500	+1,100	1.0%	+1,100	1.0%
STATE/LOCAL GOVT	998509	674,200	668,200	652,000	+6,000	0.9%	+22,200	3.4%
STATE GOVERNMENT	998512	168,800	169,900	160,300	-1,100	0.6%	+8,500	5.3%
LOCAL GOVERNMENT	998523	505,400	498,300	491,700	+7,100	1.4%	+13,700	2.8%

SOURCE: FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT SECURITY, BUREAU OF LABOR MARKET INFORMATION. CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS PROGRAM. IN COOPERATION WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS.

LABOR FORCE SUMMARY
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

STATE OF FLORIDA	NOVEMBER 1988 *	OCTOBER 1988 **	NOVEMBER 1987 **	Over-The-Year	
				Numerical Change	Percent Change
Civilian Labor Force	6,125,000	6,168,000	5,958,000	167,000	2.8
Employment	5,802,000	5,863,000	5,647,000	155,000	2.7
Unemployment	323,000	305,000	311,000	12,000	3.9
Unemployment Rate	5.3	4.9	5.2	0.1	---
Nation Unemployment Rate	5.4	5.3	5.9	- 0.5	---

Source: U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey.

LABOR FORCE SUMMARY
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

STATE OF FLORIDA	NOVEMBER 1988 *	OCTOBER 1988 **	NOVEMBER 1987 **	Over-The-Year	
				Numerical Change	Percent Change
Civilian Labor Force	6,103,200	6,173,800	5,932,500	170,700	2.9
Employment	5,785,800	5,870,700	5,629,700	156,100	2.8
Unemployment	317,500	303,000	302,800	14,700	4.9
Unemployment Rate	5.2	4.9	5.1	0.1	---
Nation Unemployment Rate	5.2	5.0	5.6	- 0.4	---

Source: U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey.

FLORIDA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

November 1988

Seasonally Adjusted - Statewide	Current Month	Month Ago	Year Ago	Percent Change: Month Ago	Percent Change: Year Ago
INITIAL UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION CLAIMS/1					
Total Initial Claims	30,417	27,186	28,107	11.88	8.22
Interstate Initial Claims	3,455	3,175	3,268	8.82	5.08
Intrastate Initial Claims	26,962	24,011	24,819	12.29	8.63
INDUSTRY INTRASTATE INITIAL CLAIMS/1					
Services	8,911	7,947	7,858	12.13	13.40
Trade	4,735	4,222	4,007	12.15	18.17
Construction	4,308	3,318	4,017	29.84	7.24
Manufacturing	3,971	4,015	4,029	- 1.10	- 1.44
Mining, Government, Agriculture	2,797	2,437	2,442	14.77	14.54
Transportation, Communications, Public Utilities	861	787	791	9.40	8.85
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate	1,018	935	949	8.88	7.27
Information Not Available	361	350	726	3.14	- 50.28
CONTINUED CLAIMS/1					
Total Weeks Claimed	253,480	209,030	213,928	23.03	18.49
Interstate Weeks Claimed	29,484	24,768	27,423	19.04	7.52
Intrastate Weeks Claimed	223,996	181,262	186,504	23.58	20.10
ECONOMIC/2					
Housing Starts (At Annual Rates)	186,270	168,964	168,855	10.44	10 31
Construction Expenditures (Thousands)	1,691,349	1,625,499	1,551,299	4.05	9.03
Average Hours Worked Manufacturing	41	41	41	0.00	0.00
Taxable Sales (Thousands)	10,623,600	10,445,500	10,031,600	1.71	5.90
Not Seasonally Adjusted - Statewide	• Data are based on program year which began July 1, 1988.				
JOB SERVICES/3					
Active File (end of month)	167,411	178,804	160,717	- 6.4	4.2
New Applications (month)	40,253	49,432	36,681	- 18.6	9.7
Applicants Receiving Service (07-01-88 to date)	197,727	145,322	199,863•	36.1	- 1.1
Nonfarm Openings Received (month)	32,372	34,712	30,148	- 6.7	7.4
Nonfarm Openings Unfilled (end of month)	32,945	40,344	44,692	- 18.3	- 26.3
Placement Transactions (month)	15,179	15,461	14,357	- 1.8	5.7
Individuals Placed (07-01-88 to date)	77,247	52,094	62,982•	48.3	22.6
Nonfarm (07-01-88 to date)	69,825	48,665	57,191•	43.5	22.1
Job Openings Filled (07-01-88 to date)	90,116	59,592	74,716•	51.2	20.6
Eligible Claimants Placed (07-01-88 to date)	9,954	6,568	8,988•	51.6	10.7

Sources:

1/ Florida Department of Labor and Employment Security, Division of Unemployment Compensation; Compiled and Seasonally Adjusted by the Executive Office of the Governor, Office of Planning and Budgeting, Revenue and Economic Analysis.

2/ Executive Office of the Governor, Office of Planning and Budgeting, Revenue and Economic Analysis.

3/ Florida Department of Labor and Employment Security, Division of Labor, Employment and Training.

Definitions: Initial Claim - Any notice of unemployment filed (1) to request a determination of entitlement to and eligibility for compensation (new claim) or (2) to begin a second or subsequent period of unemployment within a benefit year (additional claim).

Intrastate Claim - A claim filed in the same state in which the individual's wage credits were earned.

Interstate Claim - A claim filed in one state (agent) based on monetary entitlement to compensation in another state (liable).

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BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS WORKERS BY INDUSTRY IN FLORIDA
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		AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
		NOV. 1988	OCT. 1988	NOV. 1987	NOV. 1988	OCT. 1988	NOV. 1987	NOV. 1988	OCT. 1988	NOV. 1987
NONMET-MINE EX FUEL	114005	$438.52	$425.49	$424.06	46.9	45.9	46.6	$9.35	$9.27	$9.10
PHOSPHATE ROCK	114755	$480.27	$457.92	$459.22	43.9	42.4	43.2	$10.94	$10.80	$10.63
MANUFACTURING	300005	$352.29	$349.29	$340.31	41.3	40.9	41.3	$8.53	$8.54	$8.24
DURABLE GOODS	300025	$359.87	$359.39	$342.77	41.7	41.5	41.7	$8.63	$8.66	$8.22
LUMBER/WOOD PROD	324005	$287.83	$292.54	$283.79	39.7	40.8	40.6	$7.25	$7.17	$6.99
FURNITURE/FIXTURES	325005	$280.30	$271.35	$262.76	40.1	39.1	40.3	$6.99	$6.94	$6.52
STONE/CLAY/GLASS	332005	$408.89	$411.84	$394.27	44.3	44.0	44.5	$9.23	$9.36	$8.86
PRIMARY METAL IND	333005	$429.70	$426.72	$404.17	41.8	42.8	43.6	$10.28	$9.97	$9.27
FABRICATED METALS	334005	$314.36	$320.31	$312.71	41.2	40.7	41.2	$7.63	$7.87	$7.59
MACHINERY EXC ELEC	335005	$409.49	$398.35	$385.31	42.7	41.8	43.1	$9.59	$9.53	$8.94
ELECTRIC/ELEC EQUIP	336005	$389.00	$383.60	$350.70	42.7	42.2	41.8	$9.11	$9.09	$8.39
TRANSPORT EQUIP	337005	$395.20	$399.64	$392.64	40.7	41.2	41.2	$9.71	$9.70	$9.53
INSTRUMENTS/RELATED	338005	$317.06	$319.62	$311.33	41.5	42.0	42.3	$7.64	$7.61	$7.36
MISC MFG INDUSTRIES	339005	$290.70	$287.23	$258.82	40.6	39.4	38.4	$7.16	$7.29	$6.74
NONDURABLE GOODS	400015	$341.47	$334.40	$335.76	40.7	40.0	40.6	$8.39	$8.36	$8.27
FOOD/KINDRED PROD	420005	$315.95	$307.63	$296.94	41.3	40.8	40.4	$7.65	$7.54	$7.35
PRESERVED FRUITS	420305	$292.30	$310.24	$266.57	39.5	41.2	38.3	$7.40	$7.53	$6.96
TOBACCO MANUFACTURE	421005	$285.49	$283.18	$249.75	41.8	41.4	37.0	$6.83	$6.84	$6.75
APPAREL/TEXTILES	423005	$208.13	$210.00	$203.90	37.3	37.5	37.9	$5.58	$5.60	$5.38
PAPER/ALLIED PROD	426005	$499.14	$489.92	$580.79	45.5	43.9	46.8	$10.97	$11.16	$12.41
PRINTING/PUBLISHING	427005	$391.05	$378.33	$363.06	39.5	38.1	38.5	$9.90	$9.93	$9.43
CHEMICALS/ALLIED	428005	$492.06	$473.67	$479.33	43.7	43.1	43.3	$11.26	$10.99	$11.07
RUBBER/PLASTIC PROD	430005	$293.99	$294.84	$300.91	42.3	42.0	43.8	$6.95	$7.02	$6.87
COMMUN EXC US PO	548005	$510.23	$505.29	$540.47	39.4	39.2	41.8	$12.95	$12.89	$12.93
ELEC/GAS/SANITARY	549005	$567.17	$574.50	$576.28	44.8	44.5	44.5	$12.66	$12.91	$12.95
BANKING	760005	$273.00	$273.18	$250.58	37.5	38.1	37.4	$7.28	$7.17	$6.70

SOURCE: FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT SECURITY, BUREAU OF LABOR MARKET INFORMATION. CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS PROGRAM. IN COOPERATION WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS.

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FLORIDA
Employment Trends

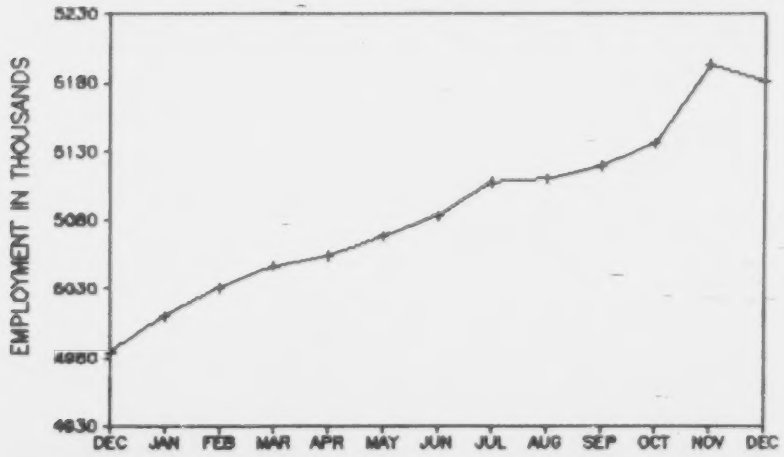
Department of Labor and Employment Security
Bureau of Labor Market Information

Highlights:

- Florida's seasonally adjusted nonagricultural employment grew by 4.0 or 197,500 new jobs over the year to reach 5,181,300 in December. Growth has slowed during 1988 but Florida remains as the fastest growing of the populous states in terms of new jobs.
- Services employment has outdistanced all other sectors accounting for the highest employment level (1,433,700) and highest growth (80,100 new jobs over the year). Medical services and business services contributed the most to these gains.
- Mining employment has been experiencing a rebound due to strength in Florida's agricultural industry which uses phosphates in fertilizer. Employment increased by 500 jobs or 5.8 percent over the year.
- Florida's unemployment rate of 5.4 percent in December surpassed that of the nation (5.3 percent) for the first time since September 1981. In-migration of population and labor market new and re-entrants have had some impact on the unemployment rate.
- Local area unemployment statistics are included in this issue for the first time. Revised nonagricultural employment data for 1987 and 1988 will be provided in next month's issue.

FLORIDA'S NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED, DECEMBER 1987-DECEMBER 1988



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HEALTHY BUT SLOWER JOB GROWTH: Total nonagricultural employment seasonally adjusted grew by 4.0 percent or 197,500 new jobs over the year to reach 5,181,300 in December. The pace of job growth has been slowing throughout 1988; previous annual job growth totals had been near 300,000 whereas we are now just under 200,000 new jobs on an annual basis. Revised nonagricultural employment statistics for 1988 and 1987 will be provided in next month's issue.

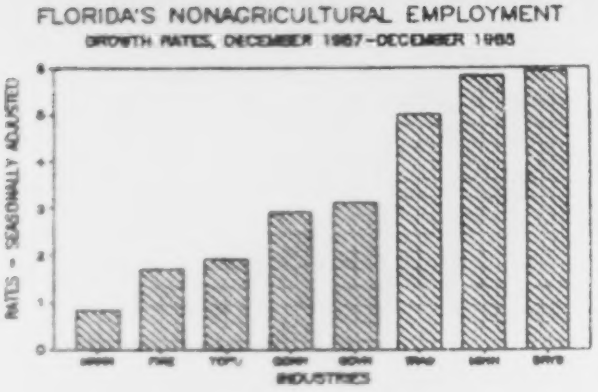
Those industrial sectors recording faster job growth than the statewide average over the year were services (5.9 percent), mining (5.8 percent), and trade (5.0 percent).

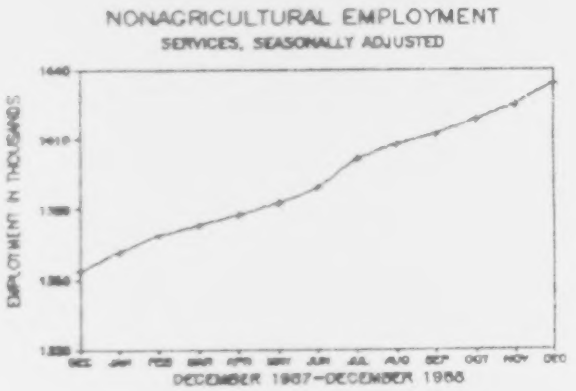
Those industries growing at a slower pace than that of the statewide average were government (3.1 percent); construction (2.9 percent); transportation, communications, and public utilities (1.9 percent); finance, insurance, and real estate (1.7 percent); and manufacturing (0.8 percent).

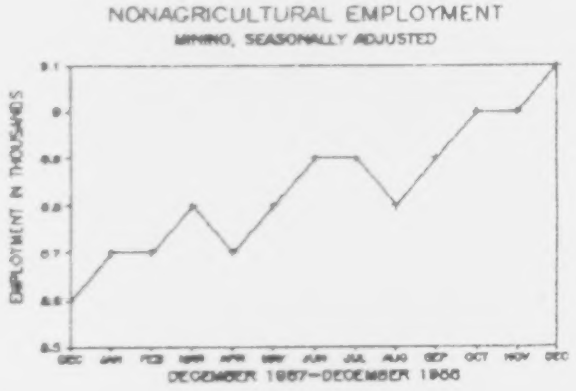
FLORIDA'S FASTEST GROWING SECTORS: The services industry is Florida's largest sector (1,433,700); the sector gaining the highest number of new jobs over the year (80,100); and the sector recording the fastest job growth rate over the year (5.9 percent). Almost half of services' gain in employment was in the subsectors of health services and business services. These two subsectors employ numerous professional occupations contrary to many reports of "services jobs". As can be seen on the services graph, employment has been steadily rising over the last twelve months.

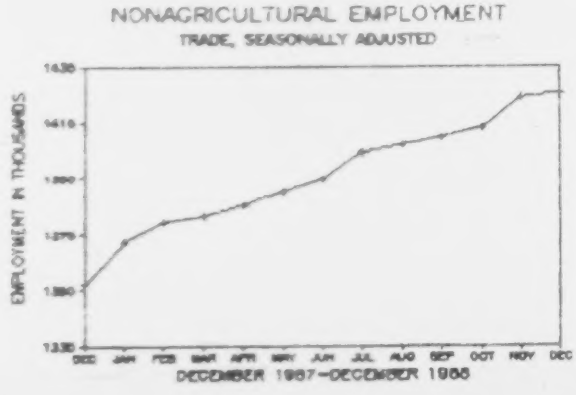
Mining employment levels have been erratic during the last year but this sector is experiencing a rebound. Mining is Florida's smallest sector (9,100) so a gain of only 500 jobs (which is very large for mining) is equivalent to a 5.8 percent growth rate over the year. The recent growth in this sector can be partially attributed to strength in Florida's agricultural industry which uses phosphate in fertilizer production.

Trade is Florida's second largest industry (1,420,200) and it recorded a healthy growth rate of 5.0 percent or 67,800 new jobs over the year. The subsectors contributing the most to the gain in jobs were eating and drinking places; food stores; and general merchandise stores.









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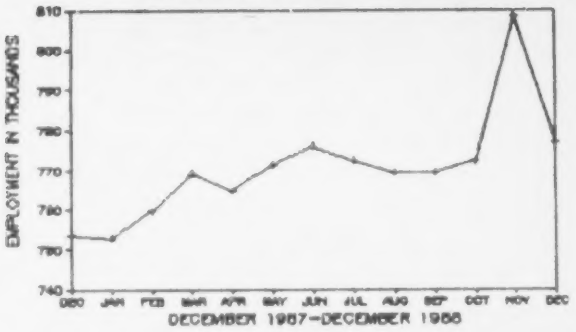
OTHER INDUSTRIES: The government sector grew by 3.1 percent or 23,500 new jobs over the year to reach 777,000 in December. As can be seen on the government graph, employment has been relatively flat over most of 1988 except for November. The strong peak in employment was the result of hiring temporary poll workers for the election. Most of the new jobs in this industry have been in the local government education subsector responding to population growth.

Construction employment has been surprisingly strong since October 1988 despite higher interest rates. Prior to October, employment levels had been virtually flat. In December construction increased by 2.9 percent or 10,200 new jobs to reach 358,400. Part of this increase could be attributed to home buyers expecting higher interest rates and trying to lock in on mortgage rates before they rise to higher levels.

Transportation, communications, and public utilities employment had been flat during 1988 until September 1988 when it started to show improvement. In December employment increased by 1.9 percent or 5,000 new jobs over the year. This sector had responded to transportation layoffs, and deregulation of communications causing consolidations and company transfers. Also technology improvements contributed to slower job growth in communications and public utilities. The strongest subsector in this industry is trucking and warehousing. Job losses have been recorded for air and water transportation and communications.

Finance, insurance, and real estate has recorded a rather uneven growth path during 1988, but has exhibited improved growth over the last two months. Employment gained by 1.7 percent or 6,300 new jobs over the year. Most of the growth in this industry was recorded in the subsectors of real estate agencies and insurance carriers. Job losses have been exhibited in banking and credit agencies, responding to deregulation, mergers, and consolidations and to industry competitive pressures.

NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
GOVERNMENT, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED



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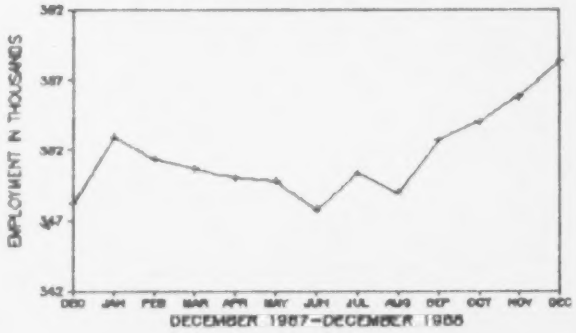

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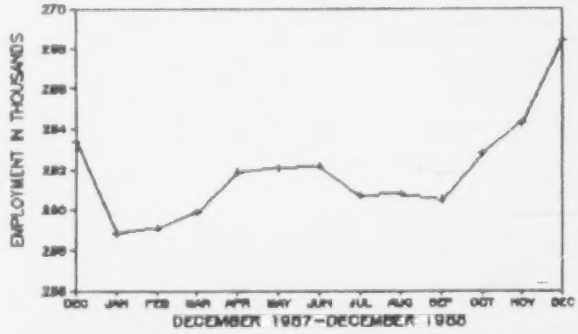

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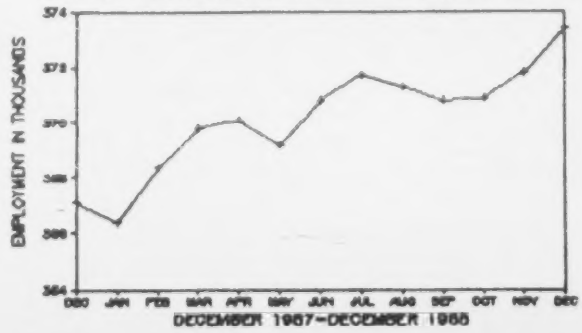
FINANCE, INSURANCE, AND REAL ESTATE, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED



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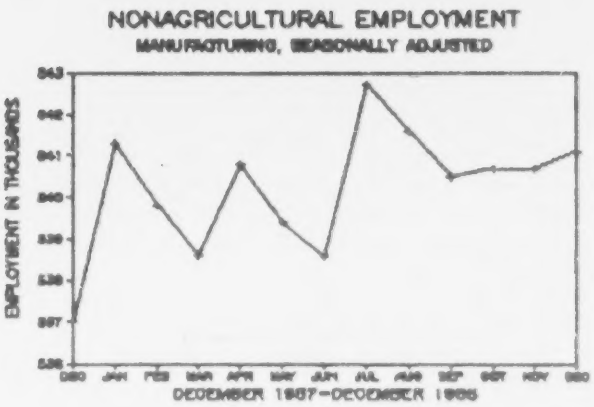
Manufacturing was Florida's slowest growing industry in December with a gain of 0.8 percent or 4,100 new jobs over the year to reach 541,100. (Preliminary results from the annual benchmark revision show upward revision in the factory sector). Growth patterns have been somewhat erratic during 1988 with the last three months of the year exhibiting stagnation. Printing and publishing is by far the strongest growth subsector in manufacturing. Other healthy subsectors are machinery, instruments, and apparel/textiles. Job losses have been exhibited for lumber/wood products and transportation equipment.

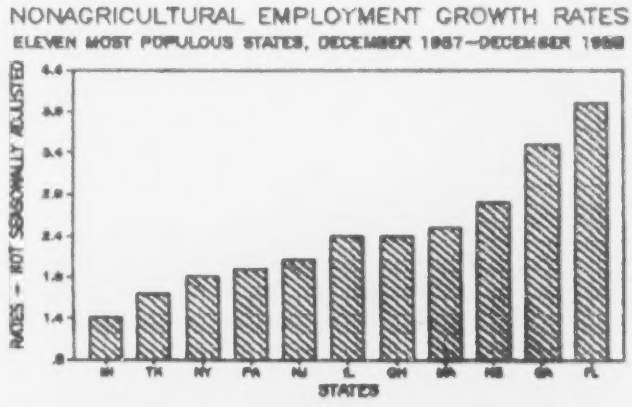
FLORIDA AND THE OTHER STATES: Of the nation's eleven most populous states, Florida remained as the fastest growing (4.0 percent) in terms of new jobs over the year. California recorded the second fastest job growth rate of 3.5 percent, with North Carolina coming in third with a gain of 2.8 percent. When comparing the number of new jobs gained over the year, Florida was second (199,400) to California (418,400), with New York coming in third place (154,400).

When all the states in the nation were compared, the largest percentage job gains occurred in Nevada (5.9 percent), Oregon (4.9 percent), Washington (4.8 percent), and Virginia (4.6 percent). Eight states recorded employment gains of over 100,000, lead by California and Florida.

All but one state reported over-the-year job gains in services. About one-fourth of the states recorded job losses in transportation and public utilities and about one-third of the states recorded job losses in manufacturing and finance, insurance, and real estate.

FLORIDA'S UNEMPLOYMENT RATE SURPASSED THAT OF THE NATION: Florida's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate reached 5.4 percent in December 1988 surpassing that of the nation (5.3 percent) for the first time since September 1981. The number of jobless in Florida was 330,000 out of a labor force of 6,085,000. The range of unemployment rates over the last twelve months was from a low of 4.6 percent in July 1988 to a high of 5.4 in December 1988. The average annual unemployment rate for 1988 was 5.0 percent. Florida's unemployment rate has been on an uptrend over the last few months but at the same time Florida's job growth rate was the fastest of the populous states. Strong job markets can and do encourage in-migration to the state as well as encouraging residents to be new and re-entrants into the labor market.





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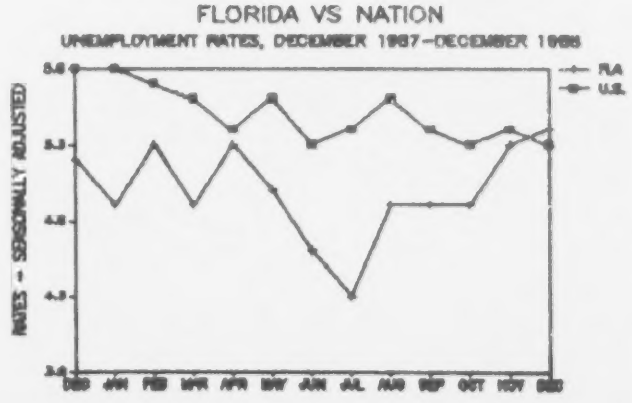


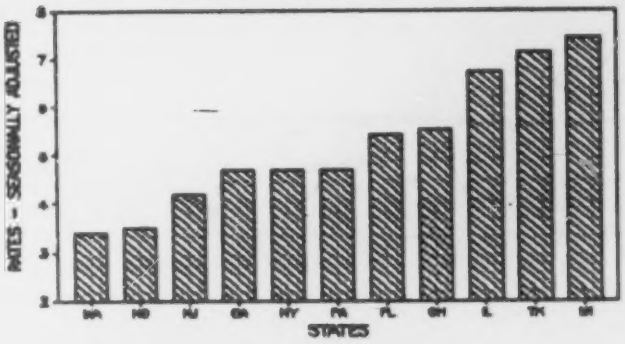
Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey.

NATIONAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATES: The civilian unemployment rate for the nation was 5.3 percent in December, down about half a percentage point from a year ago. After declining early in 1988, the civilian worker unemployment rate stabilized around 5.5 percent for much of the year before edging down to 5.3 percent at yearend. In December 1.5 million persons had been looking for work for 15 weeks or more; this was nearly 300,000 fewer than a year earlier, accounting for 70.0 percent of the overall drop in unemployment. This is now the seventh year of sustained improvement in the labor market, continuing the longest peacetime expansion in the post-World War II era.

FLORIDA'S RANK: Compared to the nation's eleven most populous states, Florida recorded the seventh lowest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate (5.4 percent) in December. Massachusetts and North Carolina recorded the lowest unemployment rates of 3.4 percent and 3.5 percent, respectively. States with the highest unemployment rates were Texas (7.1 percent) and Michigan (7.4 percent).

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES – 11 POPULOUS STATES

DECEMBER 1987–DECEMBER 1988



Unemployment Rates* Seasonally Adjusted
Eleven Most Populous States, December 1988

State	Rate	State	Rate
Massachusetts	3.4	Florida	5.4
North Carolina	3.5	Ohio	5.5
New Jersey	4.2	Illinois	6.7
California	4.7	Texas	7.1
New York	4.7	Michigan	7.4
Pennsylvania	4.7		

*Ranked in magnitude from lowest to highest.

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey.

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STATEWIDE
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (IN THOUSANDS)
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
FLORIDA

Published Industry Title	December Preliminary 1988	November Revised 1988	December Revised 1987	Over-the-Month Change		Over-the-Year Change	
				Net	Percent	Net	Percent
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	5181.3	5193.2	4983.8	-11.9	-0.2	197.5	4.0
MINING (1)	9.1	9.0	8.6	0.1	1.1	0.5	5.8
CONSTRUCTION	358.4	355.8	348.2	2.6	0.7	10.2	2.9
MANUFACTURING	541.1	540.7	537.0	0.4	*	4.1	0.8
DURABLE GOODS (1)	326.5	326.2	325.3	0.3	*	1.2	0.4
NONDURABLE GOODS	216.3	215.5	213.6	0.8	0.4	2.7	1.3
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES (1)	268.4	264.3	263.4	4.1	1.6	5.0	1.9
TRADE	1420.2	1418.9	1352.4	1.3	*	67.8	5.0
WHOLESALE (1)	286.5	282.7	273.0	3.8	1.3	13.5	4.9
RETAIL	1134.5	1135.8	1080.1	-1.3	-0.1	54.4	5.0
EATING AND DRINKING PLACES	381.9	382.0	364.6	-0.1	*	17.3	4.7
FINANCE, INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE (1)	373.4	371.8	367.1	1.6	0.4	6.3	1.7
SERVICES	1433.7	1424.5	1353.6	9.2	0.6	80.1	5.9
HOTELS AND OTHER LODGING PLACES	142.6	142.4	133.2	0.2	0.1	9.4	7.1
HEALTH SERVICES (1)	364.6	363.8	342.2	0.8	0.2	22.4	6.5
TOTAL PRIVATE	4404.3	4385.0	4230.3	19.3	0.4	174.0	4.1
GOVERNMENT	777.0	808.2	753.5	-31.2	-3.9	23.5	3.1

* = Less than one-tenth of one percent.

(1) - These series do not have a consistent seasonal pattern and consequently do not pass criteria for seasonal adjustment. Total nonagricultural employment is the sum of all major industries and is not adjusted. Durables and nondurables in manufacturing and wholesale and retail in trade may not add to total due to lack of adjustment in durables and wholesale.

Source: Florida Department of Labor and Employment Security, Bureau of Labor Market Information, Current Employment Statistics Program, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

STATEWIDE
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT (IN THOUSANDS)
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
FLORIDA

PUBLISHED INDUSTRY TITLE	1987	1988												Over-the-Year Change	
	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC(P)	%	NUMBER
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	4983.8	5010.2	5030.5	5046.8	5054.1	5068.5	5083.2	5107.8	5110.3	5119.4	5135.8	5193.2	5181.3	4.0	197.5
MINING (1)	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.8	8.7	8.8	8.9	8.9	8.8	8.9	9.0	9.0	9.1	5.8	0.5
CONSTRUCTION	348.2	353.0	351.4	350.7	350.0	349.8	347.8	350.4	349.0	352.7	354.0	355.8	358.4	2.9	10.2
MANUFACTURING	537.0	541.3	539.8	539.6	540.8	539.4	538.6	542.7	541.6	540.5	540.7	540.7	541.1	0.8	4.1
DURABLE GOODS (1)	325.3	326.2	325.2	325.4	326.2	326.1	326.6	325.2	325.4	325.4	325.7	326.2	326.5	0.4	1.2
NONDURABLE GOODS	213.6	214.3	214.6	213.6	214.5	214.0	213.2	215.0	214.8	214.4	215.3	215.5	216.3	1.3	2.7
TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC UTILITIES (1)	263.4	258.8	259.1	259.9	261.9	262.1	262.2	260.7	260.8	260.5	262.8	264.3	268.4	1.9	5.0
TRADE	1352.4	1367.4	1374.5	1376.5	1380.3	1385.3	1389.6	1399.2	1401.8	1404.7	1407.8	1418.9	1420.2	5.0	67.8
WHOLESALE (1)	273.0	274.6	275.2	275.3	275.5	276.3	276.7	275.9	276.6	277.6	279.3	282.7	286.5	4.9	13.5
RETAIL	1080.1	1094.0	1100.1	1102.7	1105.9	1110.3	1113.8	1121.7	1123.4	1125.8	1127.1	1135.8	1134.5	5.0	54.4
EATING AND DRINKING PLACES	364.6	367.5	369.8	371.1	373.8	374.6	375.8	375.9	377.9	379.2	380.5	382.8	381.9	4.7	17.3
FINANCE, INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE (1)	367.1	366.4	368.4	369.8	370.1	369.2	370.8	371.7	371.3	370.8	370.9	371.8	373.4	1.7	6.3
SERVICES	1353.6	1361.9	1369.8	1373.3	1377.7	1382.7	1389.3	1401.8	1407.6	1411.9	1418.4	1424.5	1433.7	5.9	80.1
HOTELS AND OTHER LODGING PLACES	133.2	133.7	135.8	135.1	136.4	137.6	138.9	139.7	141.8	141.4	142.1	142.4	142.6	7.1	9.4
HEALTH SERVICES (1)	342.2	344.6	346.6	349.5	350.3	352.1	354.2	356.7	357.9	360.4	361.5	363.8	364.6	6.5	22.4
TOTAL PRIVATE	4230.8	4257.5	4278.9	4277.6	4289.5	4297.3	4307.2	4335.4	4340.9	4356.8	4363.6	4385.8	4404.3	4.1	174.0
GOVERNMENT	753.5	752.8	759.6	769.2	764.6	771.2	776.8	772.4	769.4	769.4	772.2	808.2	777.0	3.1	23.5

(P) - Preliminary Estimate

(1) - These series do not have a consistent seasonal pattern and consequently do not pass criteria for seasonal adjustment. Total nonagricultural employment is the sum of all major industries and is not adjusted. Durables and nondurables in manufacturing and wholesale and retail in trade may not add to total due to lack of adjustment to durables and wholesale.

Source: Florida Department of Labor and Employment Security, Bureau of Labor Market Information, Current Employment Statistics Program, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics